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# **ILLINOIS STATE POLICE**



## **Division of Forensic Services**

### **Bureau of Crime Scene Services**

#### **Forensic Sciences Command**

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Governor

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Director

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First Deputy Director

The Illinois State Police is divided into four functional divisions. The primary responsibilities are:

*Division of Administration* - Provides the administrative support for all department entities. This division centralizes the data processing, logistical, personnel, training research, criminal identification and crime studies functions.

*Division of Operations* - Provides day-to-day patrol and traffic law enforcement on Illinois and interstate highways, as well as rendering assistance to distressed citizens. Provides support in suppressing traffic of illicit drugs, gangs, developing intelligence data, major criminal investigations, task force operations and fugitive apprehension.

*Division of Internal Investigation* - Conducts specialized investigations of alleged misconduct, corruption, and conflict of interest by members of any executive department or agency under the jurisdiction of the Governor. Also conducts special investigations for the Governor's office and Director of the Illinois State Police.

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## DIVISION OF FORENSIC SERVICES

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The Division of Forensic Services provides specialized technical and scientific expertise to Illinois State Police operational divisions and local criminal justice agencies. The division's services are also available to other state and federal agencies when special investigations require them.

The division provides forensic laboratory services and polygraph examinations; and offers technical expertise and assistance through crime scene technology and photographic services.

The division is also responsible for administering the Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit Program. The department is statutorily mandated to furnish standardized evidence collection kits at no charge to the 195 statewide member medical treatment facilities. This program is designed to ensure uniform collection of evidence and aid in the successful prosecution of persons accused of sexual assault.

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## BUREAU OF CRIME SCENE SERVICES

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The Bureau of Crime Scene Services offers 24-hour professional crime scene processing services to all Illinois law enforcement agencies. The bureau responds to requests for crime scene services from police departments, sheriffs' offices, the State Fire Marshal's office, coroners, railroad police, university police, Illinois State Police divisions, and federal law enforcement agencies.

The bureau is staffed with crime scene technicians who are responsible for:

- evidence collection
- evidence preservation
- evidence processing
- court testimony

The bureau also maintains a photographic services section which provides a full range of photographic support for law enforcement.

The bureau researches new and improved standards, methods, procedures and techniques in the statewide Compuscene/Compusketch programs. This program makes possible computer generated crime scene, vehicle accident and offender composite drawings for investigators.

Violent Crime Analysis (criminal profiling) assistance is available for all Illinois law enforcement upon request. The analysis provides a behavioral science approach to unsolved violent crimes by providing specific characteristics and traits of the most likely type of offender responsible for the crime. The process can also assist in developing investigative, interview and prosecution strategies, crime scene assessments and equivocal death analysis.

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## FORENSIC SCIENCES COMMAND

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The Forensic Sciences Command operates seven state-of-the-art forensic science laboratories throughout Illinois. These seven operational laboratories and a Training and Applications Unit provide a complete range of forensic services to the criminal justice system.

The laboratories are geographically located throughout the state with facilities in Joliet, Chicago, Suburban Chicago (Westchester, Maywood and Broadview), Rockford, Springfield, Morton, Carbondale and Fairview Heights.

Forensic scientists are responsible for analyzing and evaluating criminal evidence in the following disciplines:

Chemistry  
Documents  
Firearms/Toolmarks  
Forensic Biology/DNA  
Forensic Toxicology  
Image Enhancement  
Latent Prints  
Microscopy  
Trace

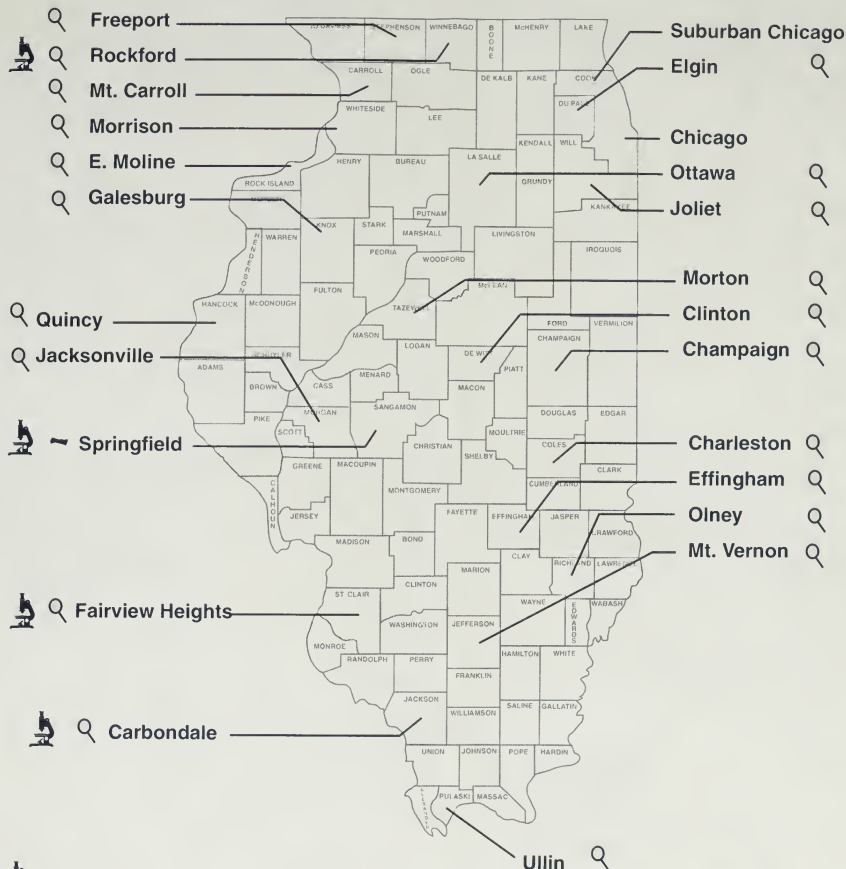
DNA - This section maintains a database of DNA profiles from convicted sex offenders. Biological samples from sexual assault cases can be analyzed for DNA type and compared with the sex offender database to determine or identify possible suspects.




In addition to these disciplines, the command also offers polygraph services at selected locations throughout the state.

The Training and Applications Unit provides training of new command personnel, in-service training, equipment selection and case evaluation of difficult cases.

Enhancing the forensic laboratory systems are quality assurance and research development programs. These programs provide measures for quality analysis of evidence and evaluation of new techniques for the analysis of physical evidence.

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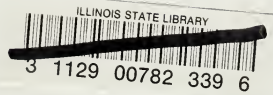
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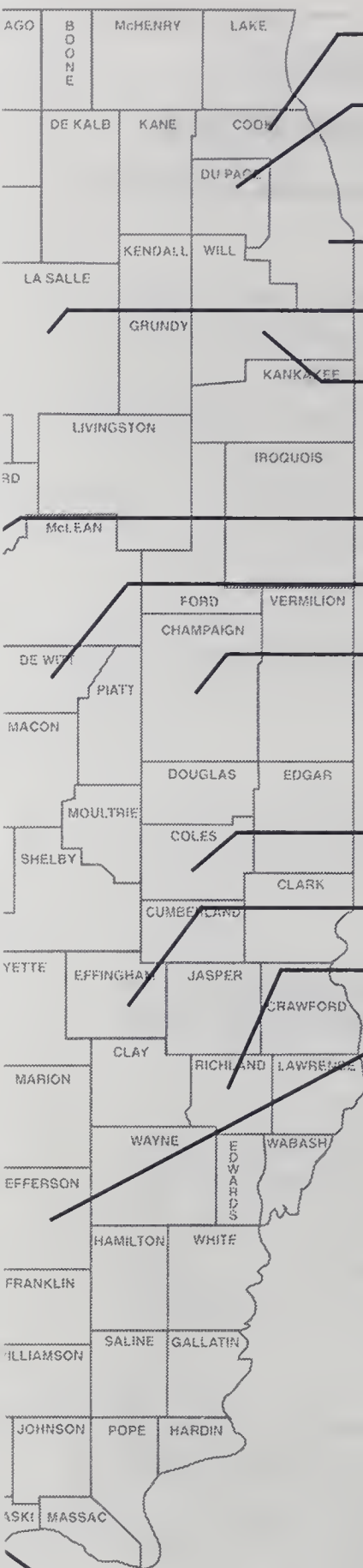


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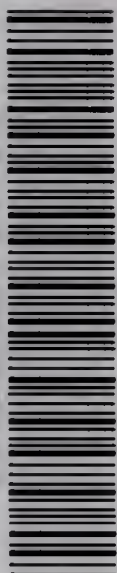
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